



Legislative Reference Center

Room 10, State Capitol Building
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The Legislative Reference Center provides reference and research assistance and interlibrary loan services to legislators and legislative staff. The collection focuses on issues of current concern to the Montana Legislature, including economic development, education finance, health care policy, gambling, privatization, property tax, sales tax, state employee compensation, state finances, and workers' compensation.

The Reference Center also offers access to Montana legislative materials, such as house and senate journals, session laws, and committee minutes. Materials published by the Montana Legislative Services Division, along with interim committee work papers, are cataloged and archived. Publications from the National Conference of State Legislatures and from legislative agencies in other states form a major part of the collection.



Montana State Hospital Library

TLC Building
Montana State Hospital
Warm Springs MT 59756
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Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. M-F

The Montana State Hospital library holds approximately 5,000 books, videos, kits, and cassette tapes. The collection has a strong psychiatric/mental health emphasis. The collection also includes about 30 psychiatric journals, 20 general interest magazines, and approximately 20 state newspapers.

The library has the dual role of serving both patients and staff at Montana State

Hospital, but can also serve other state agencies. It acts as both a public and a professional library. The facility provides full interlibrary loan services through OCLC, Internet access, InfoTrac access, and literature searching. The library is also a member of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine and offers DOCLINE and Loansome Doc services.



Public Service Commission Research and Law Library

1701 Prospect Avenue
Phone: 406-444-6170
Email: rsimmons@state.mt.us
<http://www.psc.state.mt.us>

The Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) Library maintains a collection of research materials to meet the informational needs of Public Service Commissioners and PSC staff.

Publications contained in the library include court reporters and law journals; National Regulatory Research Institute reports; Public Utilities Reports dating from 1915 to present; and periodicals, books, miscellaneous documents and reference materials on the legal, accounting and economic principles involved in the regulation of electricity, natural gas, telecommunications, water and transportation companies.

Contact: PSC Law Library, 406-444-6170, Monday through Friday.



Planning Library

1520 E Sixth Ave
Phone: 406-444-6697 — Fax: 406-444-6836
<http://www.deq.state.mt.us>

The Planning Division Library contains several collections on the following topics: air quality, water quality, wetlands, solid waste

management, renewable energy, and energy conservation. The Energy collection contains reference materials on energy policy and planning; statistics on electric power, coal, oil, and gas; energy conservation; renewable energy, including biomass, geothermal, solar energy, and wind energy; and materials on transportation and agricultural energy.

The Integrated Solid Waste Management collection contains reference materials on source reduction, reuse, recycling, and composting. For each topic, it includes material on policy and planning, legislation, regulation, and programs.

For more information call 406-444-6763, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Historical Society

225 N. Roberts Street
Research Center
Library/Archives: 444-2681
Photo Archives: 444-4739
email: mhslibrary@state.mt.us

Hours: 9-5 Tues-Fri; 9-1 Saturdays. Closed Mondays and Holidays

<http://www.montanahistoricalsociety.org>

The Historical Society holds the nation's premiere collection of Montana-related historical materials including books, manuscripts, state records, photographs, histories, maps, posters, newspapers, city directories, and paper ephemera. Materials do not circulate, but may be used at the Society. The public reference room where these materials may be consulted is on the second floor.

The Photograph Archives has a separate reference room at the rear of the third floor and is open from 1-5 pm Tuesday through Friday. For information about museum exhibits and tours call 406-444-2694.

This publication is available in alternative formats upon request. Direct requests to the Montana State Library. 1,000 copies of this document were produced at a cost of \$682. REV 12/03

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**Unless Otherwise Indicated,
 All Libraries Listed Are
 Located In:
 Helena, Montana 59620**



Libraries in Montana state government offer a wealth of resources to assist researchers in investigating the complex issues that confront Montana citizens.

Unless otherwise noted, each library is open during regular business hours, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and is closed on holidays. Full library services may not be available during the noon hour.

As required by Title 22, chapter 1, part 11, MCA, library records are confidential. However, if maintaining confidentiality is important, it is a good idea to emphasize this when making a



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<http://msl.state.mt.us> — <http://nris.state.mt.us>

The Montana State Library (MSL) serves the work-related information needs of State employees in partnership with the other more specialized agency libraries. Strengths of the collection include electronic journals and references related to natural resources; environment and conservation; government; health and social services; information science and technology; librarianship and library development; and personnel management.

MSL maintains a comprehensive collection of state publications for permanent public access and an inventory of federal publications selected for their pertinence to Montana State government.

The Library's Natural Resource Information System (NRIS) provides GIS (geographic information system) mapping, technical assistance and access to geospatial data and research information concerning Montana's climate, water, plant, and wildlife resources.

MSL has one of five Foundation Center Cooperating Collections in Montana with extensive information on foundations and grants. It also assists agency and other Montana libraries through consulting services and professional development resources, and its Talking Book Library provides direct library service to Montana citizens with visual and other disabilities.



**Department of Fish,
Wildlife and Parks**
Fisheries Division Library
1420 E Sixth Ave
Phone: 406-444-3175 — Fax: 406-444-4952
<http://www.fwp.state.mt.us>

The Fisheries Library serves FWP employees and consists of reports by FWP biologists on Montana's 22 major drainages and

on specific subjects, such as fish species. FWP publications are available to the public at the Montana State Library. The Fisheries Library also houses management plans, in-stream flow publications, archives, publications by other agencies on the 22 drainages, journals and serials, Dingell-Johnson reports, and a thesis collection for use by departmental personnel.



State Law Library
Justice Building, 215 N Sanders
Phone: 406-444-3660
Fax: 406-444-3603
E-Mail: lawinfo@state.mt.us
<http://www.lawlibrary.state.mt.us>
Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. M-F

The State Law Library has a collection of more than 160,000 legal and law related items: books, microform, CDs, and tapes. The Library's holdings include statutes and court cases for all 50 states and the federal government, as well as federal regulatory and administrative materials. Legal periodicals, all states' bar journals, loose-leaf services, treatises, legal form books, and other materials that aid in the composition, application, practice, and interpretation of law are available. The Law Library is a full depository for all State Justice Institute reports and a selective depository for U.S. government publications. In addition, the Law Library Web page provides a plethora of legal research material, for Montana and nationwide, including Montana Supreme Court opinions and briefs online.

The Law Library's Montana legal collection includes legislative bills, minutes, committee reports, journals, and several thousand compiled legislative histories. Montana Supreme Court opinions and briefs, territorial and state codes, session laws, administrative rules, Constitutional convention proceedings and reports, Attorney General's opinions, and publications of the State Bar of Montana are also available.

Most materials may be checked out and photocopy cards are available for most agencies. Legal reference librarians are available to assist you with research in print and electronic formats.

Instruction in legal research methods, online database and Internet searching, and legislative process and intent is also provided.



**Office of Public
Instruction
Resource Center**
1300 Eleventh Ave
Phone: 406-444-2082 — Fax: 406-444-3924
<http://www.opi.state.mt.us>

The Library's primary mission is to fulfill the information needs of the Office of Public Instruction's staff. Therefore, its emphasis is on K-12 education. The Library subscribes to numerous journals and reference materials.



**Census and Economic
Information Center**
Montana Department of Commerce
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<http://ceic.commerce.state.mt.us>

The Census and Economic Information Center (CEIC) at the Montana Department of Commerce operates a clearinghouse of information concerning the significant characteristics of the state, its people, economy, land, and physical characteristics.

CEIC specializes in providing demographic, economic, business, and geographic information and research. It is the official source of census data for Montana. In addition, CEIC is Montana's lead agency for the federal-state cooperative State Data Center (SDC) and Business/ Industry Data Center (BIDC) programs with the U.S. Census Bureau. As the SDC lead, CEIC supports a statewide 29-member network.

CEIC offers a variety of mapping, geographic, and GIS data and services. We provide assistance to identify, acquire, and use GIS data; a clearinghouse of data and maps from the Census Bureau and other agencies; technical assistance to develop GIS applications related to demographic and socioeconomic needs; and, technical assistance

to prepare and integrate CEIC data into GIS applications.

CEIC maintains a research library consisting of a wide variety of reference materials and periodicals.



**Department of
Natural Resources and
Conservation Library**
1424 Ninth Avenue
Phone: 406-444-6601 — Fax: 406-444-0533
<http://www.dnrc.state.mt.us>

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation's library collection consists of an Engineering and Water Library located in the Water Resources Division; and a Geology Collection housed in the Water Management Bureau.

The Water Library consists of reference material relating to water policy, legislation, and regulation; water resources management and use; and river basin management.



**Department of
Transportation
Research Library**
2701 Prospect Ave
Phone: 406-444-6125 — Fax: 406-444-6204
E-Mail: jnydegger@state.mt.us
Catalog available through OPAC at:
**[http://www.mdt.state.mt.us/research/unique/
services.shtml](http://www.mdt.state.mt.us/research/unique/services.shtml)**

The Department of Transportation maintains a collection of management and transportation related documents. The collection includes various journals, reports, videos, and CD-ROMS from the American Society for Testing and Materials Standards, Transportation Research Board, National Cooperative Highway Research Program, Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, and other federal, state, public, and private organizations.